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Applicant:

Thomas F. Neal

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10/091,834

Group Art Unit: 1724

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Examiner: Frank M. Lawrence, Jr.

Title:

Versatile, Modular, Multi-Stage Water Purification System

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	1453 1,330 2453 665 Petition to revive - unintentional				
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